# COUNTY OF SAN LUIS OBISPO BOARD OF SUPERVISORS AGENDA ITEM TRANSMITTAL

(1) DEPARTMENT Planning and Building	(2) MEETING DATE 1/14/2014	(3) CONTACT/PHONE Stephanie Fuhs, Planner III / 781-5721		
(4) SUBJECT Request to authorize the use of Alternative Publication Procedures for amendments to the inland Land Use and Circulation Elements (LUCE) of the County General Plan and the Land Use Ordinance, Title 22 of the County Code. All Districts.				
(5) RECOMMENDED ACTION It is recommended that the Board:				
1. Authorize that the display advertisement of one-quarter page that was published in a newspaper of general circulation in the county on or before January 24, 2014, indicating the general nature of the proposed Ordinance Amendments that will be considered on February 4, 2014, can act as the alternative publication.				
2. Authorize that a one-quarter page display advertisement be placed in a newspaper of general circulation within 15 days after adoption of the proposed amendments by your Board.				
(6) FUNDING (7) CURRENT YEAR FINANCIAL IMPACT \$0.00		(8) ANNUAL FINANCIAL IMPACT \$0.00		(9) BUDGETED? Yes
(10) AGENDA PLACEMENT  {x} Consent { } Presentation { } Hearing (Time Est) { } Board Business (Time Est)				
(11) EXECUTED DOCUMENTS { } Contracts { } Ordinances {x} N/A				
(12) OUTLINE AGREEMENT REQUISITION NUMBER (OAR) N/A			(13) BUDGET ADJUSTMENT REQUIRED?  BAR ID Number: { } 4/5 Vote Required {x} N/A	
(14) LOCATION MAP (15) BUSINESS IMPACT STATEMENT?			(16) AGENDA ITEM HISTORY	
N/A N/A		{x} N/A Date:		
(17) ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICE REVIEW Lisa M. Howe				
(18) SUPERVISOR DISTRICT(S) All Districts -				

## **County of San Luis Obispo**

TO: Board of Supervisors

FROM: Planning and Building / Stephanie Fuhs, Planner III

VIA: Ellen Carroll, Environmental Coordinator

DATE: 1/14/2014

SUBJECT: Request to authorize the use of Alternative Publication Procedures for amendments to the

inland Land Use and Circulation Elements (LUCE) of the County General Plan and the

Land Use Ordinance, Title 22 of the County Code. All Districts.

#### **RECOMMENDATION**

It is recommended that the Board:

- Authorize that the display advertisement of one-quarter page that was published in a newspaper
  of general circulation in the county on or before January 24, 2014, indicating the general nature of
  the proposed Ordinance Amendments that will be considered on February 4, 2014, can act as the
  alternative publication.
- 2. Authorize that a one-quarter page display advertisement be placed in a newspaper of general circulation within 15 days after adoption of the proposed amendments by your Board.

#### **DISCUSSION**

On February 4, 2014, your Board will hold a public hearing for the following amendment:

Hearing to consider a request by the **COUNTY OF SAN LUIS OBISPO** to amend the inland Land Use and Circulation Elements of the County General Plan and the Land Use Ordinance, Title 22 of the County Code by reorganizing them as follows: 1) The 11 existing inland planning areas are consolidated and reorganized into four new inland planning areas, based largely on watershed boundaries. 2) The plans for the four new inland planning areas are combined into a single document called The Area Plans. 3) Community plans are proposed for urban areas and villages. 4) Planning area standards in the Land Use Ordinance (LUO) are reorganized into rural and urban/village standards according to the new planning areas. All Districts.

County File Number: LRP2008-00002. Assessor Parcel Number: Countywide (Inland).

The California Government Code, Section 25124, establishes specific publication requirements for ordinance amendments. Your Board can order that a display advertisement be published in a newspaper of general circulation in the county prior to the public hearing and that a display ad be placed in a newspaper of general circulation following action on the amendments.

The California Government Code establishes specific publication requirements for ordinance amendments, and offers two cost-saving alternatives to publishing the complete text of an adopted ordinance after its passage (which has historically been the most commonly-used method). The alternatives include either publishing a summary of the proposed amendments; or, where the official responsible for the ordinance determines that a summary would not be effective, and with the consent of your Board, a simple display ad can be published in a local newspaper noting passage of the ordinance, where it can be obtained, and how your Board voted on its adoption.

Therefore, in accordance with Section 25124 of the California Government Code, we are requesting that your Board order that a display advertisement of a one-quarter page be published in a newspaper of general circulation in the county, indicating the general nature of the proposed Land Use Ordinance amendments to be considered. In addition, it is requested that your Board direct that a one-quarter page display advertisement be placed in a newspaper of general circulation within 15 days after adoption of the proposed amendments.

Because publication of a display advertisement would cost substantially less than the full text of the adopted amendments, and because the diversity of topics covered in the amendments does not enable a meaningful summary, your favorable consideration on this matter is appreciated.

#### OTHER AGENCY INVOLVEMENT/IMPACT

Applicable agencies and Community Advisory Committees were provided referrals of the amendments.

### **FINANCIAL CONSIDERATIONS**

Reproducing the complete text of all of the amendments contained in this Ordinance Amendment would cost approximately 50 percent more than the cost of two quarter-page display ads.

#### **RESULTS**

Advertising of the amendments will allow public hearings to occur in conformance with the Government Code and will cost substantially less than publishing the full text of the adopted amendments.